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SUBJECT: ROC CHANGE TO NEGATIVE VOTE ON IBRD/IMF EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS SALARIES

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1. USG TALLY OF IBRD/IMF GOVERNORS' VOTES ON E.D. SALARIES RESOLUTION INDICATES FINAL DECISION WILL BE BY CLOSE VOTE. UK CURRENTLY DISCUSSING POSITION AT HIGHEST LEVEL. IF UK CASTS ITS 9.15 PERCENT OF VOTES AGAINST IBRD RESOLUTION, PROPOSAL WILL BE DEFEATED.

HOWEVER, UK ABSTENTION WOULD LIKELY MAKE ROC KEY SWING VOTE. ROC WIELDS RELATIVELY LARGE 2.7 PERCENTAGE OF IBRD LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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VOTES COMPARED WITH 3.65 PERCENT FOR JAPAN, AND 2.06 PERCENT FOR AUSTRALIA. THUS, UK AND ROC VOTES CRITICAL TO U.S. OBJECTIVE OF DEFEATING FOR FIRST TIME SALARY RESOLUTION IN IFI'S. AS DESCRIBED IN REFTEL (A),

COMPENSATION ISSUE IS SERIOUS POTENTIAL THREAT TO OBTAINING AUTHORIZATION AND APPROPRIATION REQUESTS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT BANKS.

2. SUBSEQUENT TO ARRIVAL REFTEL (B), TREASURY URGED ROC EMBASSY INFORM MINFIN LEE BY PHONE POSSIBLE TO

CHANGE ROC GOVERNORS' VOTES PRIOR TO JULY 23 DEADLINE, AND URGED CHANGE TO ABSTENTION OR PREFERABLY TO NEGATIVE VOTE. U.S. TREASURY ALSO HAS SPOKEN WITH FINANCE MINISTRY SEEKING A SWITCH IN THE ROC VOTES. IF APPROACHED BY ROC, URGE IMMEDIATE SWITCH TO NEGATIVE VOTE, OR AT LEAST ABSTENTION. ARGUMENTS IN REFTEL (A), IN ADDITION TO POINTS BELOW, MAY BE USED.

- 3. (A) A CHANGE IN VOTE IS NO THREAT TO ROC LOW PROFILE, AS SUCH SWITCHES NOT PUBLICIZED.
- (B) NEGATIVE VOTE WOULD NOT ISOLATE ROC FROM DEVELOPED OR LDC MEMBER GOVERNMENTS. OTHER COUNTRIES SO FAR JOINING U.S. IN NEGATIVE VOTE ARE FRANCE, AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, INDIA, BANGLADESH, PAKISTAN, THAILAND, TURKEY, UPPER VOLTA, COLOMBIA, URUGUAY, DENMARK, NORWAY, AND ICELAND.
- (C) SALARY INCREASE RESOLUTIONS ARE NOT PROPOSED BY IBRD/IMF MANAGEMENT, BUT COMMITTEE OF THREE FORMER GOVERNORS. THIS YEAR'S COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF ITALY, VENEZUELA, AND IRAN. AS IBRD PRESIDENT MCNAMARA PROPOSED FREEZE ON STAFF SALARIES ABOVE 38,500 DOLLARS NET, IDEA THAT SIMILAR SACRIFICE APPROPRIATE FOR EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS IMPLIED.
- 4. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ASSISTANCE AMBASSADOR CAN PROVIDE ON KEY ROC VOTE. PLEASE CABLE INFORMATION ON ROC POSITION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. KISSINGER LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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